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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We have had a bitter cold winter in New York this year, with frigid temperatures and gale-force winds for many consecutive weeks. Yet the city has continued to function, subways and buses ran, people made their way to work and had productive days, families got their children to school and the business of our lives continued, as we await the relief of warmer spring days.

Our Alumni Association has weathered a very long winter season too, dating back to the mid 1990's. It was then that after over 100 years of camaraderie and mutual respect, a separate alumni association was launched which began an unfortunate chapter in the School's history with its alumni. It was like a blanket of cold air descended, attempting to alter the very essence of our Association and its values and divide the very alumni who helped make the School such a wonderful place. Over these years our Alumni Board has met and reflected on options about how to proceed in the face of change, and the overwhelming consensus has continued to be "spring will come."

In the interim years, the Association has gone about our business, meeting regularly, shepherding the considerable treasury, bestowing scholarships and research grants, giving stipends and sick benefits to deserving Association members, and proudly carrying out the mission of our Association. Our reunions, now held off campus due to our Association's current status with the University, continues to be well-attended and resonates with goodwill for our illustrious history. Through this long winter, the Association has thrived and continued its important work, but remained unsatisfied with the current climate. We still looked forward to spring.

There are now signs that spring may be arriving. The current Dean has announced her resignation; a new Dean is expected in 2010. Will these changes bring about a thaw? We will make every effort in working toward that end.

It has been a very long winter; we look forward to sharing a new spring together.

WHY AM I RECEIVING THIS NEWSLETTER FOR THE FIRST TIME?

Many alumni are receiving our newsletter for the first time with this issue. As you know, since the Dean decided to form her own alumni association, we have not been privy to the School's mailing list of graduates. So, many alumni have not known that we even exist!

With the publication of the new Columbia University alumni directory (all 214,000+ alumni), we were able to obtain names and whereabouts of our alumni as well as update older lists.

For those new to our work, we are the original Association, founded in 1892 and chartered by the State of New York in 1898 by special legislation. We are incorporated and are a freestanding alumni association - perhaps the only one. While we would support the School (they refused our last two endowed scholarship offers),

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MEET YOUR BOARD

We have three Board members in three classes and in this edition we are featuring the Class of 2010:

Joan Arnold'69 PhD RN

Following graduation from the School of Nursing, Joan continued her education at NYU where she earned a masters and doctorate. Her dissertation dealt with conceptualizing grief for nursing and she has continued to publish and speak nationally and internationally on this issue throughout her career.



Joan is currently a Senior Director/Educator with the Corporate Nursing Office of New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation. Prior to this position, she was an academic for more than 30 years, holding the rank of full professor at the College of New Rochelle. At both the College of New Rochelle and Adelphi University she taught Public/Community Health Nursing, Team Building, and courses on grief and loss.

She also consulted for the New York City Satellite Office/Public Health Solutions, New York State Center for Sudden Infant Death. As a regular consultant to the NYCSID Office, Joan provided bereavement support to families after an infant death, made home visits to bereaved families, created supportive literature, and conducted workshops on risk reduction for SIDS/infant mortality, parental grief, and the caregiver's role in supporting families. Joan served as the Chairperson of the Research Committee of the Association of SIDS and Infant Mortality Programs (ASIP) and has co-authored many publications for ASIP and the USDHHS, HRSA, Maternal Child Health Bureau. She also has co-authored several texts, including: *A Child Dies: A Portrait of Family Grief*, *Health Promotion in Practice*, *Health Promotion Handbook* and *Community Health Nursing: An Alliance for Health*.

A recent publication in *Archives of Psychiatric Nursing* describes research she conducted with Penelope Buschman Gemma and Linda F. Cushman entitled, "Exploring Parental Grief: Combining Quantitative and Qualitative Measures" and with Penelope Buschman Gemma "The continuing process of parental grief" in *Death Studies*.

Joan is the President of Nurses Educational Funds, Inc. and has been a longstanding member of the Board of the Columbia University-Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Association, Inc. and chairperson of the Awards Committee that recognizes outstanding alumni each year.

Sandy Johanson'64 PhD RN



After graduation in 1964, I worked for two years in the Bronx for the VNSNY, and remained active in Sigma Theta Tau and CUPHSONAA. In 1967 I moved to Summit, NJ, to raise children and became involved in volunteering. Maternal and child health issues have always been a priority for me - service, teaching, lobbying and research particularly about child abuse prevention, sexuality and STD's, fertility and infertility, and mental health.

In 1976 I returned to graduate school at NYU for an MA and PhD while teaching ObGyn and Pediatrics at Seton Hall University. I left teaching to develop a psychiatric consultation-liaison service at Morristown Memorial Hospital and started a nursing research department there. In 1980 I started a part-time private psychotherapy practice with a focus on women's reproductive cycle mood disorders and women with cancer. I remain in private practice.

I come from a family of CUPH nurses. My mother, Roberta Waldron, graduated in 1933 with Harriet Deleuran; Florence Haring (Florence is still alive at 97 living on Eastern Long Island). My younger sister, Judy, graduated in 1966. All remained active and supportive of the Alumni Association. Over the years I have served on the Research Committee, the Finance Committee, and now am a Board member.

I have two married children; a son Chris who lives in Bowling Green KY and a veterinarian daughter, Karin, who lives in Morristown NJ.

I am honored to serve the Alumnae Association.

Joan has earned many awards, done video teaching modules, published in a diversity of refereed journals. Indeed, her resume runs eighteen pages long.

Most of all, we know Joan for her wonderful work with our Distinguished Alumni Awards for our Board. Not only has her committee chosen outstanding candidates but also her written text for the award, read during the reunion program, continually inspires those attending.

Joan Ambrose McCormick '61, JD, RN



Following graduation, I moved to Lexington with my husband, Jed Nelligan who was going to school there. While there I worked as a nurse from time to time. One of my responsibilities was working in the Arthritis Clinic with Dr. Robert Simmons, a P&S graduate who quickly recognized my pin.

While in Kentucky, my family raised Thoroughbred racehorses and Dalmatians. Here in Rhode Island I have changed my dog allegiance to

pointers. All wonderful experiences!

In 1980 I completed my law degree at the University of Kentucky and was licensed in Kentucky, Connecticut and Rhode Island. As a lawyer, I worked as a trust officer and new business officer in banks in these same states. Following my banking experience, I entered the private practice of law in Westerly RI. In 2005 I added real estate to my list of responsibilities and am still selling properties in the area.

James McCormick and I were married in 1986. Jim is a lifetime resident of Westerly.

My work in the Alumni Association has spanned many years. I have served as a member of the Finance Committee since 1987 and Treasurer from 1997 – 2002, 2003-2004. I have also served as a Board member since 2005, and as Chairman of the Reunion Committee for the last two years. Earlier in my tenure on the Finance Committee, we contributed over one and one half million dollars to the creation of an endowed chair and the completion of the Pharmacy chair at the School of Nursing.

Over my lifetime, volunteerism has always been important to me. Locally I served on the board of Stand Up For Animals raising \$2,250,000 to build a new shelter for local rescued animals and having special features to house pets during disasters including hurricanes.

Since 1996 I have been Treasurer of the Watch Hill Lighthouse Keepers Association. The members have leased the Lighthouse from the Coast Guard and have maintained and improved it since then.

I am a member of the Scholarship Committee for the Westerly College Club meeting with Scholarship applicants and determining who will be granted money for their education.

In 2009 I became Treasurer of the Watch Hill Yacht Club Cabana Group. The old Cabanas had to be razed and are in the process of being rebuilt. The new facility will be lovely.

Although I am a resident in Rhode Island, I am fortunate to have a daughter living in southwestern Connecticut who offers me a place to stay when I travel for the meetings of the Board and Finance Committee.

BOARD ACTIONS BENEFITS

The sick benefit and the stipend benefit (formerly known as the pension benefit) have some changes in eligibility requirements. The purpose of these changes is to help insure that the benefits go to those members who are truly in financial need. Current stipend recipients are not affected by these changes.

The changes are as follows:

Membership. All applicants for benefits must be dues-paying members of our Alumni Association for the past 5 consecutive years. If this requirement has not been met and if there is a clear case of need, assistance with membership requirements can be provided.

Sick Benefit. The applicant must demonstrate financial need because of illness or injury. The benefit is meant to help with unreimbursed medical or medically related bills. The same requirement of membership for five consecutive years is required.

Stipend Benefit. The applicant must be at least 65 years old and demonstrate financial need. The maximum annual income limit is \$25,000 for a single person and \$30,000 per couple.

We continue to maintain our stipend gifts and sick benefits payments on an ongoing basis. Together with scholarships, the charitable efforts of our Association represent a substantial part of our annual budget. The Board Members are very appreciative of the efforts of many of you who add a contribution to your annual dues payment. We also recognize that some of you help those in need by encouraging and helping them to apply for assistance. We thank you.

We are all Neighbors.

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our mission has been and continues to be alumni. We are not a fund-raiser for the School, although if permitted, we would participate as an Association. Our mission is philanthropic – to help nurses in need and to foster interconnectedness.

Our work takes the form of stipends for those who are elderly and economically needy; there is a sick benefit also for active members (those that pay \$25 in dues for at least five consecutive years) as well. Scholarships are competitive and we concentrate on the masters and doctoral candidates. Students need not go to Columbia to be eligible for scholarships. There is also a small research stipend available annually.

If you are interested, please go to our website: www.cuphsonaa.org for information about us as well as application forms.

So welcome to our Association and we hope that you will think about joining us, the Original Alumni Association serving alumni for 117 years.

NURSING SCHOOL PINS AND UNIFORMS WANTED

With scrubs being the uniform of the day, many nurses no longer wear their school pins. However, you would be surprised at the number of alumni who wish to wear their pins but sadly, have lost them. To date, we have received pin donations and have sent them on to six very grateful alumni. Imagine wearing a “Neighbor’s” pin that was generous enough to donate it! So, if you have a pin or know someone who would like to donate it, we can forward it on to someone that would really appreciate it.

Speaking of donations... would you believe that we are short of complete uniforms – you know, the stripes, bibs and aprons. We like to have one available at our reunion and we are planning to donate one to Innes Arden House in Greenwich (where Anna Maxwell and PH nurses spent vacations on the Long Island Sound at the turn of the century). So, if any of these are gathering dust in your attic, please send them on.

A word about these uniforms. For newer graduates, these were of a fine British woven material that was hand sewn and made

to measure for students and graduates with our names embroidered on the bib and starched to the max. The biggest hit of all was the bustle in the back. Yes, a real gathered bustle, not like the ones in early pictures, but a gathered fabric at the waist that resembled a bustle. The long sleeves were double lined from the elbow to the wrist and closed with five buttons. We were only allowed to unbutton the first button and turn back the cuff when caring for patients.

Fortunately, Presbyterian Hospital did the laundry and ironing and each Friday, the uniforms would be placed in boxes with our names on it by the elevator on our floor of Maxwell Hall. New graduates were expected to wear this uniform even though they were graduates until asked to wear the official white PH graduate uniform. Then came wash and wear materials and alas, a classic uniform was lost.

We would also like to have the newer uniform as well for our archives. Is any graduate willing to give hers up?

SPEAKING OF PINS

Edith Margaret Ambrose, a graduate of the first class at PH also had a pin...and it turned up with a pin and medal collector! When older alumni pass on, relatives do not know what to do with these items and often they are auctioned off as part of an estate. Ed Sere recounts how he acquired her pin:

“I have never known a nurse that let me down. I think so much of those in your profession. I, too, have spent many a day and night in the emergency room of Columbia Presbyterian Hospital when I was a firefighter in Rescue Company Three located on 181st Street and Amsterdam Avenue, during the heydays of the 60’s through 80’s. We always had the greatest admiration for you “wonderful women in white.” By the way, I see you graduated from CPH in ‘59, I got out of the Marine Corps in ‘59, and would put in a total of 39 years counting reserve duty plus the 27 years with FDNY before retiring in 1995 from both services.

As I told you in my earlier email, I am a medal collector and received the Ambrose pin with the life saving medal whose pictures I am sending you. Evidently the life saved was in Ambrose’s family. When she was a nurse in France during World War I she inquired about the man who saved her relative only to find out he was killed in action. I also have the letter regarding that event.

You asked me why people would give up these treasured items (medals) and I can only offer the following explanation. Medals and pins are commonly given up by families usually after second or third generation and



especially when no more direct heirs are alive. They often go into estate liquidations and are auctioned off. Succeeding generations lose the attachment and meaning of these heirlooms money or the pressure to clean up a property can tempt them to sell, especially when gold goes up in value or hardship faces a family. We collectors actually save these pieces from extinction and the jewelers’ melting pots.

I know nurses prize these pins, and I want to see that it goes to the right place or someone who will cherish it; but to be honest with you we collectors grow quite fond of our collections and spend much time researching and writing about the things we obtain...

hence my inquiry to you. Families and the medal recipients rarely research heirlooms and their stories and deeds of valor and success are either lost forever and or never recorded until some collector like me tries to resurrect their history.

While I have been offered a substantial sum for this pin because of its age and the fact that it is from the first graduating class of a prominent profession, I won’t sell it. I’d donate it to a museum but all too often little objects disappear out of museums or are too insignificant to display to the public or the right audience that would appreciate it.

After researching these items one can get quite attached to the pieces if not for anything but to get enjoyment out of holding something old in our hands and visualizing all that the person went through to achieve this honor. I often do that with my medals as well, and when I do, I am transplanted in time and space to the scene of the battle. Now I hope, you aren’t bored to death with my response.

I really appreciate your checking into the graduating class photo to help me identify which one is Nurse Ambrose. If I can’t I’ll just pick out the prettiest nurse in the photo and claim her...not too many pretty ones

though! Joking aside, thank you for your help.

You never know perhaps one day I'll leave the pin to you. I have done that before, to return medals to family and other collectors and friends I know would cherish them. Please stay in touch, I would love any more information on Nurse Ambrose it would make for more provenances and add value to the pin wherever it winds up.

All the best,

Ed”



FIRST NURSES GRADUATING CLASS 1894

Class of 1894 (L-R) Annie Elliot Leonard (Collery), Sarah Keyes Davis, Julia Rose (Shipman), Josephine Mar., Camilla Salling, M. Sydnie Bachard (Gosse), Margaret Thu..(Alling), Emmy Tyger, Ida..., Gertrude Kilpatrick (Tro..) Edith Ambrose) Jennie L. Parsons, Amy Pope, Frances Stone, Lillian Walsh, Harriet Graham, Alvina McDade, Louise Larkin (Bow..) Harriet Burils, Janet Gross (not in any order).

The first volumes of the *Alumni Magazine* offering (1906-1907) some data were found but not exactly what Mr. Sere was asking.

Of this small class in 1906, three were already deceased; two lived in Ireland; one in France and the rest basically from the metro New York area. Almost all had married.

E. M. Ambrose was the President of the Alumni Association in 1906 when the first *Alumni Magazine* or *Quarterly Magazine* as it was then known was published. Since we do not have recorded history prior to this, we do not know the role she played leading to her presidency. However items in various issues cite her as a delegate to the County Society meetings as well as other responsibilities. She wrote a piece in the first edition beautifully describing why the Association was begun and why the Fair, a tradition down the decades, continued to raise money for the Association.

The following clip written by Ms. Ambrose was taken from the first issue of the *Alumni Quarterly* (1906):

“We are not working for our present needs, while our Society is young and vigorous and its members are all healthy and wealthy do not need aid. We must be wise and while we are vigorous,

lay by something for the time which is surely coming, when a need will be felt. Would not a little quiet home in the country, where our members could go for a much-needed rest, be a fine thing for our society to own? Someplace which we could make attractive, and sit under our own “vine and fig tree,” where we could have our chickens and the delicious fresh eggs which their ownership implies, in short, some small “Cranford” farm such as we have heard in Miss Melases’s series of interesting articles in the *American Journal of Nursing*.

Our 10 years allotted to us by statisticians have, for some of us, already passed and we are entering the second decade of our professional work; is it not therefore time for us to be prudent and begin to lay up some treasure against a “rainy” day? How can we do better or make a better beginning than trying with all our force to make this sale of success?

I can even now close my eyes and see a white cottage with green shutters, nestled in among the trees, with its pretty white curtains and an air of restfulness. Inside I can see some sweet-faced nurses moving about, who, having spent the best years of their lives in caring for others, are enjoying the quiet tranquility of the little farm in the twilight. In the yard at the rear, I can see the hens calling the brood of chickens to their wings, and in the meadows yonder two of those beautiful Jersey cows, such as we see that Mr. Sturgis’s farm, contentedly chewing their cud and adding to the joys of the household. When I open my eyes and realize it is only a dream yet, I feel sure that we can make it a reality. This is a work that we must do and which must appeal to us all. The sooner we begin, the sooner we will be taking the train to that snug little P.H. Alumnae Farm. Our present summer cottage at Innes Arden, which, through the munificence of Mr. Kennedy Todd, our members are enjoying and profiting by, will surely help to stimulate us all to do our utmost for our sale, for we are tasting part of the joys in store for us when our dreams become a reality.”

E.M. Ambrose
President of Alumnae Association

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E. M. AMBROSE,

President of Alumnae Association.

In Memoriam

- 1937 Barbara ACKER Duffy
May 18, 2009
- 1943 Muriel ALPERS Schuyler
June 2, 2009
- 1945 Virginia DOLLIVER Knight
2009
- 1949 Lorraine GRANT Conversano
November 6, 2009
- 1949 Audrey KIMBALL Seiler
March 2, 2009
- 1950 Ruth EAGLE Boyle
August 15, 2008
- 1950 Isabel HEALY
June 17, 2009
- 1950 Elizabeth WESTBROOK Richter
2008
- 1958 Helen RAAB Paige
November 7, 2009
- 1959 Barbara LOOK Edgar
December 29, 2009
- 1963 Rosemary FARLEY Petrie
May 15, 2009
- 1971 Helen Newman RUSH
September 29, 2009
- 1974 Pamela PETERS
Unknown
- 1975 Neith FAUST Souza
2009
- 1978 Sheila METCALF
July, 2008
- 1980 Sue POLZER Boote
November, 2007

1945 – Virginia DOLLIVER Knight
– Virginia’s husband, Roger, wrote, “Virginia has left this vale of tears. She loved her school tremendously.”

1949 - Lorraine GRANT Conversano,
83 - wife of the late Albert Conversano, of Laurel Park, died Friday, Nov. 6, 2009 at Cottingham Hospice House in Seneca SC and lived in Hendersonville, N.C. from 1978 - 2008. After graduation, Lorraine worked for the Visiting Nurse Service of New York and ended her career at Pardee Hospital in Hendersonville in 1986. A native of New Haven, Conn., Mrs. Conversano was the daughter of the late William and Edna Reed Grant. Memorials may be made to Oconee Medical Center Foundation to benefit the Critical

Care Unit (CCU), 298 Memorial Drive, Seneca, SC 29672. Mrs. Conversano is survived by sons, Mark, David and Michael Conversano; daughters, Lorraine Johnson, Suzanne Conversano, Concetta Kome and eleven grandchildren.

1950 - Ruth EAGLE Boyle – Ruth’s husband called to tell us of her death on August 15th, 2008. He said, “She made it to 80 and had a thoroughly good life over the years.”

1958 - Helen PAIGE Rabb. Helen passed away suddenly on November 7, 2009. She was a life long resident of Akron OH and daughter of the late Beatrice and Edward Rabb. She is survived by her two sons, Joel Maggie and Callie Keller, Sanford (Chip); grandchildren, James and Jennifer and their mother, Sharon. Helen graduated from Old Trail School, attended Northwestern University and received a BS in Nursing from Columbia University Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing. Following graduation she returned to Akron and became an active volunteer in the community. She was an original founder of what is now Planned Parenthood of Summit, Portage and Medina counties and continued her interest in that organization throughout her lifetime. In 1998 she was honored with the naming of a conference room in the agency’s new facility. She was also the recipient of the coveted Margaret Sanger award named in honor of the founder of what was later to become Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

Helen then began her career as a public health nurse for the city of Akron for over 30 years. During this time she focused on family planning with of free prenatal clinics. She also established a city-wide cardiovascular risk reduction program. She began the program by setting up screenings in neighborhood fire stations and tried to ensure that no citizen was further than a mile away from a free blood pressure check. She then concentrated on the health of City of Akron employees and became a certified Occupational Health Nurse and continued in employee health until her retirement in 2000.

In 1986 she was selected by Mayor Tom Sawyer to represent the city in the Leadership Akron Program and remained active in Leadership Akron Alumni Association. She was the winner of the Women’s History Award, being nominated for the honor by the women’s division of the Akron Chapter of Hadassah, past member of the Women’s division of Akron Jewish Community Board, Temple Israel, founding member of the Jewish Women’s Endowment Fund, the Board of Trustees and the Nursing Education Committee of the American Heart Association. Her membership on the Women’s Board of Akron City Hospital lead to the co-founding of the first free mammography program in Akron, with the help of the Radiology Department and Summit County internists the Women’s Board was responsible for funding the program. The other two groups provided medical follow-up. Helen was a strong believer in not giving up when it came to finding accessible healthcare for the uninsured or under insured. Her long record of civic and professional activity and numerous awards for distinguished and dedicated service have made a strong positive impact on important community health issues.

1971 – Helen Newman RUSH – Helen, 92, of Clifton NJ died on September 29, 2009. She was born in New York City and lived in North Arlington before moving to Clifton in 1950. She was a Registered Nurse at the Veterans Administration Hospital in East Orange for 12 years. She earned a bachelor’s degree from Seton Hall in and a master’s in Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing from Columbia University-Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing in 1971. She was a Charter Member of the Society of certified Clinical Specialists in Psychiatric Nursing of the NJ State Nurses Association. She was a former Executive Director of the American Association of Industrial Nurses in New York City from 1961 to 1969 and a member of the NJ Industrial Nursing Association.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND RESEARCH GRANTS FOR 2010

- \$5,000 Awards for Masters Students
- \$10,000 Awards for Doctoral Students
- Research Grant Amounts vary

Eligibility: Must be Columbia nursing Alum and currently enrolled in a full-time graduate nursing program (letter of acceptance and proof of intent to register for Fall enrollment also acceptable).

Application Available at www.cuphsonaa.org

Deadline: March 15, 2010

Did you know that PH nurses that applied would pay \$4.00 per week to stay at Innes Arden and were responsible only for their own laundry and bathing suits!

The commitment of the founders of our Alumni Association was very clear; they were alumni oriented, a path that we continue today.

Such was the caliber of our early "Neighbors" and their commitment for helping fellow alumnae. These early sales/fairs did not net large sums of money but they were the beginning of over a century of wise stewardship that allows us to continue to help our neighbors in need.

Did You Know ??

REUNION 2010 - Our 117th

This year we will gather together at the New York Athletic Club for another day of alumni business, sharing and trips down memory lane. Each year the reunion seems to get better and better. The energy of our alumni is amazing, as is their creativity. Websites have been started, phone chains augmented to reach out to classmates, parties planned before, during and after the day. Old friendships are renewed and alumni learn about the lives of some of our outstanding graduates.

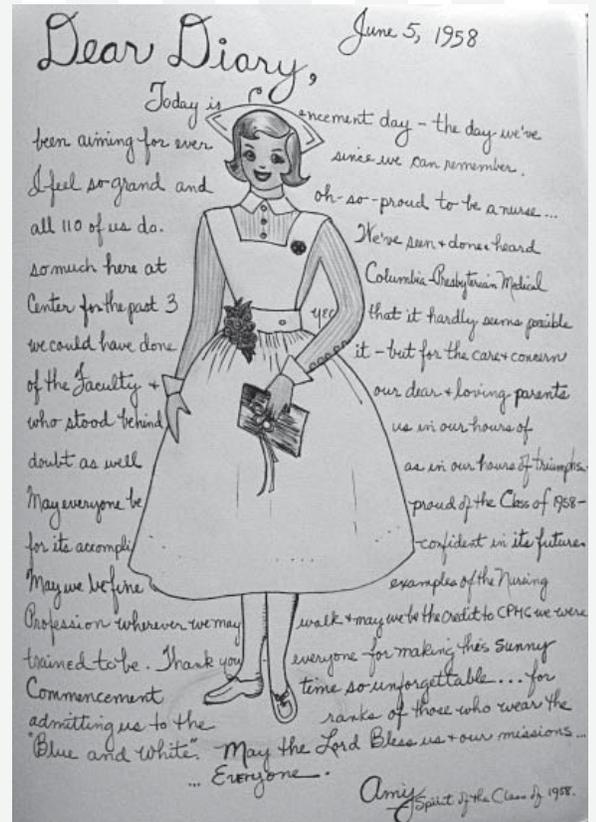
The day begins with continental breakfast followed by a short business meeting. Scholarship winners are announced and introduced, Distinguished Alumni come up to receive their citations and our keynote speaker this year is Dr. Mathy Mezey '60, the Independence Foundation Professor of Nursing at NYU. She is also the director of the John A. Hartford Foundation Institute for Geriatric Nursing at that university. The topic of her presentation will be The Aging of the Baby Boomers: Can We Help Them?"

A leisurely and lovely buffet lunch follows. During the afternoon program, the 50th anniversary class will see a slide and audio presentation of their class as well as video celebrations of nursing at Columbia Presbyterian. The afternoon ends with a wine and cheese hour where alumni continue sharing or making plans for the evening.

Reservations for those wishing to stay overnight for the reunion can be made at The New York Athletic Club or The Doubletree Suites in Jersey City. The NYAC rooms with a standard queen bed are \$240/night, rooms with two twin beds are \$260/night, rooms with two deluxe double beds are \$345 per night and rooms with two luxury clean bed are \$370 per night. These rates do not include taxes and fees of 16% . These room rates apply for Thursday, April 22 and Friday, April 23rd. If 10 rooms are not reserved, the rate will revert to the regular rate. The codename for our group is Columbia University - Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing. The Reservations can be made at (800) 699 -3293. There is also a block of 20 rooms at the Doubletree in Jersey City. These rooms have King beds or two doubles plus a pullout sofa bed and are \$149 per night +14% tax. The hotel is a short walk to PATH train station. The fare is \$1.75. For reservations call (201) 499-2576 and use the reservation code: Columbia Nursing Alumni Assn Reunion.

The reservation deadline for both these special reunion rates is April 1st.

For those of you that cannot attend but would like to see pictures from the reunion and perhaps purchase some, our photographer will send out your selections. Go to her website: www.sandranissen.com after April 28th. To access the Reunion, click on "proofs" then enter the event "columbiapresbyterian" and the password is "reunion." The site is self-directing so just follow the directions should you wish to order any of the photos that you see.



WE'D LIKE TO KNOW

We would appreciate information concerning your professional and/or personal life for our files and for publication in the Alumni Magazine. Please mail or e-mail a current photograph. Our e-mail address is:cuphsonaa@aol.com

Current Name _____

Name at Graduation _____ Class _____

Husband's/Wife's Name _____

(Indicate whether Dr./Mr./The Rev., etc.)

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